

## Message Text

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R 220337Z AUG 78  
FM AMEMBASSY MUSCAT  
TO CDRUSASAC ALEXVA  
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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: MASS, MU, US  
SUBJECT: FMS CASE DA OMAN UAD

REF CDRUSASAC DTG 151804Z AUG 78

1. IN RESPONSE REFTTEL, WE BELIEVE IT MAY BE USEFUL TO  
REVIEW BACKGROUND ON THIS MATTER AS SEEN BY OMANGOV  
MINISTRY OF DEFENSE AND THIS EMBASSY.

2. THE TWO BATTERY ASSEMBLIES INVOLVED HERE WERE SENT  
TO THE U.S. FOR MAINTENANCE UNDER FMS CASE UAD ON  
DECEMBER 27, 1977. THE DATE OF THEIR ARRIVAL AT DEPOT  
IN U.S. WAS APPARENTLY MARCH 1978. THE SERIAL NUMBER  
OF ONE BATTERY ASEMBLY WAS LISTED ON OUR RECORDS AS  
010659, ALTHOUGH MINISTRY HERE LISTED IT VARIOUSLY AS  
010659 AND 010059; THE SERIAL NUMBER OF THE OTHER WAS  
UNKNOWN. THESE WERE THE ONLY TWO BATTERY ASSEMBLIES  
EVER SENT TO THE U.S. UNDER CASE UAD.

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3. CDRUSASAC LATER INFORMED US THAT THESE BATTERY  
ASEMBLIES COULD NOT FEASIBLY BE REPAIRED. (CDRUSASAC  
DTG 312023Z MAR 78, PARA 3.) AFTER CHECKING WITH OMANGOV  
MINISTRY OF DEFENSE, WE REPLIED THAT REPLACEMENT WAS  
AUTHORIZED PROVIDED THIS COULD BE DONE AS A FORM OF  
MAINTENANCE UNDER CASE UAD. (MUSCAT 0548, DTG  
190415Z APR 78, PARA 3. SEE ALSO MUSCAT 0608, DTG

300703Z APR 78 AND MUSCAT 0666, DTG 110400Z MAY 78.)

4. ON OR ABOUT LAST MAY 28, ACCORDING TO MINISTRY OF DEFENSE RECORDS, A BATTERY ASSEMBLY SERIAL NUMBER 103102 ARRIVED IN MUSCAT. (GBL UNKNOWN) IT CAME WITH ANOTHER COMPONENT BEING RETURNED UNDER CASE UAD, AND MINISTRY ASSUMED IT WAS THE REPLACEMENT FOR ONE OF THE TWO BATTERY ASSEMBLIES DESCRIBED ABOVE. WE MARKED IT AGAINST THE BATTERY ASSEMBLY OF UNKNOWN SERIAL NUMBER AND REPORTED THAT ONLY ONE BATTERY ASSEMBLY, SERIAL NUMBER 010659 OR SUBSTITUTE, WAS STILL PENDING. (MUSCAT 0812, DTG 070554Z JUN 78. SEE ALSO MUSCAT 0823, DTG 110335Z JUN 78.) WE REPORTED IN A LATER MESSAGE THAT REPLACEMENT FOR ONE BATTERY ASSEMBLY HAD COME BACK AND THAT OMANGOV MINISTRY OF DEFENSE WISHED REPLACEMENT NOT RETURN OF OLD BATTERIES WHICH WERE OF NO USE TO MINISTRY IF REPLACEMENTS COULD BE SENT UNDER CASE UAD. (MUSCAT 0848, DTG 140716Z JUN 78.)

5. ABOVE CONSTITUTES ALL RELEVANT INFO AVAILABLE HERE ON THIS MATTER. IF THERE IS INACCURACY IN OUR RECORDS, PLEASE LET US KNOW. WE AND OMANGOV MINISTRY OF DEFENSE HOPE SECOND NEW BATTERY ASSEMBLY CAN BE SENT WITHOUT DELAY. IF SO, THE TWO OLD BATTERY ASSEMBLIES MAY BE SCRAPPED OR OTHERWISE DISPOSED OF IN ANY MANNER DEEMED SUITABLE BY DEPOT. BOTH NEW ASSEMBLIES MAY BE UNCLASSIFIED

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CHARGED AGAINST CASE UAD ON THE BASIS OF ACQUISITION COST CITED REFTEL LESS WHATEVER SCRAP VALUE IS DEEMED APPLICABLE.

6. ASSUME ADDRESSEES ARE AWARE THAT OMANGOV ALLOWED CASE UAD LAPSE AS OF END OF 1977. OMANIS CURRENTLY PLAN TO ESTABLISH SYSTEM OF REPAIR OUTSIDE U.S., BUT CONTRACT TO IMPLEMENT THIS INTENTION HAS NOT YET BEEN NEGOTIATED.

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